

**ABSTRACT****METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PUBLISHING AN  
5 ELECTRONIC FILE ATTACHED TO AN ELECTRONIC  
MAIL MESSAGE**

10 Publishing content associated with an electronic file attached  
to an electronic mail message by executing instructions contained in the  
electronic mail attachment and accessing the content at a remote  
computer server identified by the attached file. The attached file  
includes computer-executable instructions, such as a computer program  
or script, which include an identifier for a remote server connected to a  
15 distributed computer network. This identified remote server typically  
hosts a web site containing content intended for viewing by the recipient  
of the electronic mail message. In response to launching the attached file  
of the electronic mail message with a viewer program, a browser  
program can be opened to enable the recipient to view the content of the  
20 identified remote server, typically a web site on an intranet or the global  
Internet. This supports the communication of electronic content by using  
an electronic mail message to transport an electronic file attachment  
having instructions that, when executed by the recipient's computer,  
enable the recipient to view the electronic content by accessing a server  
25 computer connected to distributed computer network.

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